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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Kirkpatrick et al.

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For: ASYMMETRIC DISULFIDES AND METHODS OF USING SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Examiner:

This is a response to the restriction requirement mailed in the Office Action dated September 25, 2006 in the above identified application. Applicant elects, with traverse, the invention designated as Invention I (Claims 1-9) directed to a composition comprising an asymmetric disulfide or derivative thereof and a matrix including at least one polymer. The Office Action set forth a one-month shortened statutory period for reply, accordingly, this response is timely filed and is fully responsive to the Office Action.

Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks being on page 6.